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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is a Request for filing a  continuation  divisional  
 continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of  
pending prior Application No. 09/249,317 filed on February 12,  
1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by  
reference,  
by

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for

PRODRUGS

1.  Enclosed is an application consisting of specification,  
claims, declaration and drawings/photographs (if  
applicable).
2.  The filing fee has been calculated as follows:



		LARGE ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY	
BASIC FEE		\$740.00		\$370.00	
	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	Fee	RATE
<b>TOTAL CLAIMS</b>	30-20 =	10	x 18 =	\$180.00	x 9 = \$0.00
<b>INDEPENDENT CLAIMS</b>	1-3 =	0	x 84 =	\$0.00	x 42 = \$0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS PRESENTED			+ \$280.00		+ \$140.00
		<b>TOTAL</b>	\$1,200.00		\$0.00

3.  A check in the amount of \$1,200.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed.

4.  Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request is enclosed.

5. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line thereof the following:

a.  --This application is a  continuation  divisional  continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/249,317, filed on February 12, 1999, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120; and this application claims priority of Application Nos. 9803438-2, 9800452-6, 9801216-4, 9800469-0, 9803438-2, 98/7267, PCT/SE98/01467 filed in Sweden, Sweden, Sweden, Sweden, Sweden, South Africa and United States on October 7, 1998, February 13, 1998, April 3, 1998, February 16, 1998, August 13, 1998 and August 14, 1998 under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

b.  --This application is a  continuation  divisional  continuation-in-part of co-pending Application No. 09/249,317, filed on February 12, 1999 and for which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120. Application No. 09/249,317 is the national phase of PCT International Application No. PCT/\_\_\_\_/ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ under 35 U.S.C. § 371. The entire contents of each of the above-identified applications

are hereby incorporated by reference. This application also claims priority of Application No. filed in on under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--

6.  Enclosed is/are two (2) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs.

7a.  A statement claiming small entity status was filed in prior Application No. 09/249,317 on \_\_\_\_\_. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status.

7b.  The current application qualifies for small entity status.

8.  The prior application is assigned to MEDIVIR AB \_\_\_\_\_.

9.  A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

10a.  Priority of Application No(s). 9803438-2, 9800452-6, 9801216-4, 9800469-0, PCT/SE98/01467, and 98/7267 filed in Sweden, Sweden, Sweden, Sweden, Sweden, Sweden and South Africa on October 7, 1998, February 13, 1998, April 3, 1998, February 16, 1998, August 14, 1998 and August 13, 1998 is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on April 29, 1999.

10b.  Priority of International Appln. \_\_\_\_ filed on under the Patent Cooperation Treaty and Application No. \_\_\_\_ filed in \_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_ under 35 U.S.C. § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

11.  An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.

12.  Address all future communications to:  
  
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13.  An extension of time for \_\_\_\_\_( ) month(s) until has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/249,317 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.

14.  Also enclosed herewith is the following:

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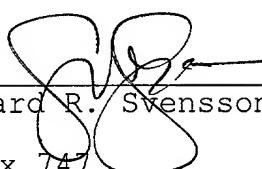
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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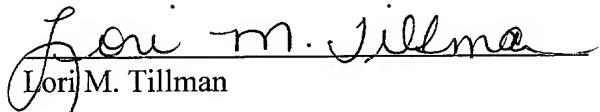
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**DATE DEPOSITED:** November 16, 2001

I hereby certify that the enclosed Divisional Application and related documents are being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.

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